



**Great Basin Priority Summary - Based on Most Recent 209's  
8/18/2020**

Priority	Unit ID	Incident	Suppression Strategy	Descriptive Location	Size	24 hr Change	% Ctn	Expected Ctn Date	Complexity / IC Name	Crews		Helicopters			Total # Persons	Critical Needs	Threats
										T-1	T-2IA or 2	T-1	T-2	T-3			
New and emerging initial attack within the Great Basin																	
IA	UT-BRS	Sundown	Full Suppression	18 mi. W of Tremonton, UT	325	NEW	0%	8/20/20	Type 4 IC B. Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	36	None	3 structures, grazing and wildlife habitat, power lines
IA	NV-HTF	Kiln	Full Suppression	15 mi. NE of Pahump, NV	10	NEW	UNK										
Ongoing large fires within the Great Basin																	
1	UT-FIF	Cowboy	Full Suppression	33 mi. E of Richfield, UT	228	- 22	5%	8/28/20	Type 3 Team J. Teeples	2	3	3	2	2	171	2 Type 1 crews, 1 AOBD or ASGS	Native Bonneville Cutthroat Trout, SUFCO mine operations, mix of primary and secondary residence, Sage Grouse habitat
2	ID-SCF	Muldoon	Full Suppression	20 mi. SW of Mackay, ID	366	- 46	35%	8/28/20	Type 3 IC Stewart	1	1	1	1	2	77	Maintain heavy helicopter and Type 1 crews	Local camp sites (w/ structures), grazing allotments, SGH, weather station, white bark pine species
3	UT-CCD	Cougar	Full Suppression	5 mi. N of Hamblin Valley, UT	476	0	15%	8/22/20	Type 3 IC D. Julander	1	3	0	0	3	160	Type 1 & 2 crews	Continue to work flanks
4	NV-WID	Poodle	Full Suppression	20 mi. NW of Gerlach, NV	13,606	0	100%	8/19/20	Type 2 Team Roide	0	4	0	2	1	208	None	Minimal threat to critical sage grouse habitat, big horn sheep habitat, grazing allotments and improvements.
*** Notes of Significance ***																	
Fires highlighted in yellow have submitted a FINAL ICS-209 or will no longer meet criteria to be prioritized																	
	NV-ECFX	Soldier	Full Suppression	16 mi. NE of Midas, NV	817	0	100%	8/17/20	Type 4 IC McQueary	0	2	0	0	1	56	None	Priority SGH and livestock grazing allotments

## Evening Brief

Date: Tuesday August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### Weather Summary

**\*\*\* Scattered Thunderstorms Spreading Northward through Northern Areas of NV/UT and Idaho into Western Wyoming through Mid-Week \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Dry Gusty Winds of 25-35 mph across Northern and Western Nevada Wednesday...Pushing into Idaho Thursday \*\*\***

The 4-corners high that has been centered over the central Great Basin will begin to weaken and be pushed south as low pressure approaches the Pac NW coast. Temperatures will remain hot this week, but should decrease a few degrees to just shy of records mid to late week with highs in the valleys reaching the mid-upper 90s over the northern half of the region and 108-110 in the far south.

Moisture over Idaho will be spreading east and north into Eastern/Central Idaho/Wyoming/far northern Utah Wednesday, with scattered mixed Wet and Dry lightning and gusty outflow winds. Isolated Dry Lightning potential spreads southwards into Central and Eastern Nevada/Utah Wednesday into Thursday, where fuels are near record dry levels. from mid to late week.

In addition, drier air with gusty afternoon winds of 25-35 mph are expected across Northwest Nevada Wednesday...pushing into Idaho Thursday. These winds will be over areas of recent lightning and ongoing fires.

High Risk has been issued for much of the northern half of the region through the next couple days, for lightning, as well as gusty winds (refer to 7-Day Matrix and Map for more day to day details). Remaining hot this week with isolated lightning in southern areas Wed/Thu.

Dry weather returns later this week into the weekend, with tropical moisture pushing up from the south Sunday into next week with a possibility of wetter showers/thunderstorms to the southern half of the Great Basin.

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### Preparedness Levels & Great Basin Fire Activity (from WFDSS)

Great Basin	PL 3	Light Initial Attack Activity
National	PL 5	New Fires and Acres: 25 fires for 526.9 acres. 0 acres of large fire growth

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### Fuels/Fire Potential

**\*\*\* Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory currently in effect for parts of eastern & southern Nevada across Utah and the AZ Strip \*\*\***

Fuels in all regions, of all class sizes, have dried to critically dry fuel conditions. The record heat recently and devoid monsoon moisture thus far will keep many areas to near record fuel dryness over the southern half of the Great Basin. Thus any lightning that occurs will likely trigger new ignitions and some large fires. Hot/dry weather further north will allow northern areas to simultaneously have critically dry fuels, at the same time.

Live fuel moisture in the sagebrush has dropped to below 100% across most lower elevations, from the Snake River Plain southward into most of Utah, Nevada and the Arizona Strip, where sagebrush moisture is breaking records, 50-60% in several stations. supporting Extreme Fire Behavior.



Across the Central Idaho Mountains into Western Wyoming heavier dead fuels are drying rapidly to August normals, but grasses still partially green in some areas, with dry duff being the main support for ground fire.

## Resources:

### Aviation within the Great Basin

- 1 VLAT, 3 LATs, 2 Fire Bosses
- 25 SEATs, 11 AA, 1 ASM
- 9 Type 1 Helicopters / 5 Comm.
- 12 Type 2 Helicopters / 9 Comm.
- 19 Type 3 Helicopters / 12 Comm.

### Crews Committed within the Great Basin

- 14 IHCs / 0 Available
- 19 Type 2IA / 0 Available

## Current Incident Details

Todays Activity (from WFDSS):

Incident Name	Unique Fire Identifier	Size	Status	Latitude	Longitude	Pt. Of Origin Sage Grouse Habitat
*180 Port	2020-UTNES-000754	0.1	Controlled 08/17/20	41.08088	111.2451	PHMA
*Unionville Assist	2020-NVPERX-020238	1	Controlled 08/17/20	40.43999	118.0902	NO
* Tip Top	2020-NVWID-020236	0.1	Not Contained	40.24611	117.5783	FWS-OCC
* Landfill	2020-UTSCS-200497	0.1	Controlled 08/17/20	38.36129	111.6882	PHMA
* Golden Gate	2020-NVHTF-030620	0.1	Not Contained	38.50655	119.5432	FWS-PAC
* Minidoka Dam	2020-IDMNX-000262	86	Contained 08/17/20	42.67663	113.5017	NO
* WETLANDS 2	2020-NVLCL-501215	0.1	Out 08/20/20	36.08746	114.9827	NO
* Tobin Range	2020-NVWID-020232	0.1	Not Contained	40.24711	117.5639	FWS-OCC
* Picnic Table	2020-AZASD-000687	0.1	Out 08/17/20	36.97664	112.4694	NO
* Slinkard	2020-NVHTF-030619	0.1	Controlled 08/18/20	38.58191	119.5905	NO
* NAPLES CURVE	2020-UTNES-100324	0.3	Out 08/17/20	40.40779	109.4843	NO
Alaska Basin	2020-IDCTF-000155	0.1	Controlled 08/18/20	43.7112	110.8548	NO
Michaud Creek	2020-IDFHA-000157	40	Not Contained	42.83768	112.5418	NO
New Canyon Truck	2020-UTBRS-000756	0.1	Controlled 08/18/20	41.68183	111.1798	FWS-OCC
Limerick	2020-NVWID-020239	0.1	Not Contained	40.317167	118.2085	OHMA
SITE 20	2020-IDBOF-000652	0.1	Out 08/18/20	44.52327	116.1033	NO
Gun Range	2020-UTRID-200499	15	Not Contained	38.80283	112.0733	NO
Fall Creek	2020-IDSIS-000449	0.1	Not Contained	44.93422	116.0474	NO
Fence	2020-UTSCS-200502	3	Not Contained	38.78442	112.457	NO
Kiln	2020-NVHTF-501223	10	Not Contained	36.37187	115.81	NO
Sundown	2020-UTBRS-000759	350	Not Contained	41.73248	112.5807	NO
Rock Quarry	2020-UTDIF-000693	0.1	Not Contained	37.57311	112.6392	NO
Inspiration	2020-UTBRP-000692	0.1	Out 08/18/20	37.60759	112.1661	NO
Scrabble	2020-NVCCD-030631	20	Not Contained	39.93203	119.6404	OHMA
Excelsior	2020-NVCCD-030632	0.1	Not Contained	38.25918	118.5097	NO

\* Fires occurred previous night, not today

For additional information go to: [Great Basin Coordination Center Web Site](#)